

Docket No. 47728

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:
Eduardo Marban

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For: SOMATIC TRANSFER OF MODIFIED GENES TO PREDICT DRUG
EFFECTS



Examiner: G. Leffers, Jr.

Group Art Unit: 1636

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Applicant is in receipt of the Office Letter dated September 29, 2000.

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the Restriction Requirement. The two Groups identified in the Office Letter have the same classification at both the class and sub-class levels. Accordingly, it is believed that undue burden would not be required to search both Groups at this time.

To provide a complete response, Applicant elects, with traverse, Group I as that group is defined in the Office Letter.

Early consideration and allowance of the application is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter F. Corless".

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